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1. PROBLEMS WITH GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY OF BRITAIN (GEC) LOCOMOTIVES CONTINUE ACCORDING TO RECENT PRESS ACCOUNTS. ON SEPT 6 TAIWAN RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION HAD TO SUSPEND SERVICE ON ONE OF ITS NEW LUXURY EXPRESS TRAINS DUE TO MALFUNCTIONING OF GEC LOCOMOTIVES. SUBSEQUENTLY, ROC MINISTRYTGC COMMUNICATIONS ORDERED ALL PAYMENTS STOPPED TO GEC UNTIL THE FAULTS IN THE LOCOMOTIVES HAVE BEEN CORRECTED.

2. IN CONTRAST TO PROBLEMS WITH THE BRITISH GEC PRODUCT, TAIWAN HAS HAD HIGHLY RELIABLE SERVICE FROM LOCOMOTIVES BUILT BY GENERAL ELECTRIC OF THE UNITED STATES.

3. EMBASSY COMMENT: THIS INFORMATION MAY BE OF INTEREST TO GE OF US AND TO FERROCARRILES DE COSTA RICA (FCR) VIS-A-VIS FCR PLANS TO PURCHASE 12 LOCOMOTIVES. UNGER

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